

# McCormick’s Creek State Park


## July 2016-Activities Schedule

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div>31</div> <div>A non-denominational church service will be held at the Nature Center at 9 am every Sunday from Memorial Day to Labor Day.</div>	<div></div>	<div>Celebrate our centennial summer through our “100 Days for 100 Years” of programming. Look for history programs and centennial celebration events on this calendar.</div>			<div>1</div> <div>10 am - Creek Stomp Meet @ Canyon Inn</div> <div>3 pm – The Beast of Busco: Snapping Turtle facts and legends Nature Center</div>	<div>2</div> <div>10 am – Fire Tower Hike Meet @ Canyon Inn</div> <div>2 pm – Eagle Mask craft</div> <div>Centennial Celebrations: 7 pm - Jack Shannon Nature Center Amphitheater</div>
<div>3 &amp; 31</div> <div>10:30 am – Turtle Feeding Canyon Inn Lobby</div> <div>3 pm – Turtle Trot Nature Center</div>	<div>4</div> <div>Happy Independence Day!</div> <div>Red, White and Blue Scavenger Hunt at the Nature Center, and Kick the Ball ice cream making</div>	<div>5</div> <div>10 am – Backyard Birds Nature Center</div> <div>2 pm – Critter Feeding Nature Center</div>	<div>6</div> <div>Come and visit the nature center!</div> <div>3 pm – Creature Feature Nature Center</div>	<div>7</div> <div>Come and visit the nature center!</div> <div>3 pm – Nature Film Series N.C. Program Room</div>	<div>8</div> <div>10 am - Critter Stomp On Trail 5 Meet @ Wolf Cave parking</div> <div>3 pm – Venomous Snakes of Indiana Nature Center</div>	<div>9</div> <div>10 am - Trees of McCormick’s Meet @ Nature Center</div> <div>3 pm – Leaf Print Craft Nature Center</div>
<div>10</div> <div>10:30 am – Turtle Feeding Canyon Inn Lobby</div> <div>3 pm – Snake in the Water! Nature Center</div>	<div>11</div> <div>Come and visit the nature center!</div> <div>Open 9:30am-5:00pm daily</div>	<div>12</div> <div>10 am – Backyard Birds Nature Center</div> <div>2 pm – Critter Feeding Nature Center</div>	<div>13</div> <div>Come and visit the nature center!</div> <div>Open 9:30am-5:00pm daily</div>	<div>14</div> <div>10 am – McCormick’s Through the Years N.C. Program Room</div> <div>3 pm – Nature Film Series N.C. Program Room</div>	<div>15</div> <div>10 am – Quarry Hike Meet @ Canyon Inn</div> <div>3 pm - Turtle Trot Nature Center</div>	<div>16</div> <div>10 am – Wolf Cave Hike Meet @ Wolf Cave Parking</div> <div>3 pm – Creature Feature Nature Center</div> <div>Centennial Celebrations: 7 pm – Summer Concert Series: Tom Roznowski Park Amphitheater</div>
<div>17</div> <div>10:30 am – Turtle Feeding Canyon Inn Lobby</div> <div>3 pm – Amphibians vs. Reptiles Nature Center</div>	<div>18</div> <div>Come and visit the nature center!</div> <div>Ask the Nature Center Staff about the State Parks Fitness Challenge!</div>	<div>19</div> <div>10 am – Backyard Birds Nature Center</div> <div>2 pm – Critter Feeding Nature Center</div>	<div>20</div> <div>10 am – Animals Do the Grossest Things! Nature Center</div> <div>3 pm – Creature Feature Nature Center</div>	<div>21</div> <div>Come and visit the nature center!</div> <div>3 pm - Nature Film Series N.C. Program Room</div>	<div>22</div> <div>10 am - Trees of McCormick’s Meet @ Canyon Inn</div> <div>3 pm – Turtle Trot Nature Center</div>	<div>23</div> <div>10 am – Woodpecker Watch Meet @ Canyon Inn</div> <div>3 pm – Nature Journal Craft Nature Center</div>
<div>24</div> <div>10:30 am – Turtle Feeding Canyon Inn Lobby</div> <div>3 pm – Amphibians vs. Reptiles Nature Center</div>	<div>25</div> <div>Come and visit the nature center!</div> <div>Open 9:30am-5:00pm daily</div>	<div>26</div> <div>10 am – Backyard Birds Nature Center</div> <div>2 pm – Critter Feeding Nature Center</div>	<div>27</div> <div>Come and visit the nature center!</div> <div>Open 9:30am-5:00pm daily</div>	<div>28</div> <div>10 am – The Civilian Conservation Corps N.C. Program Room</div> <div>3 pm – Nature Film Series N.C. Program Room</div>	<div>29</div> <div>10 am – Wolf Cave Hike Meet @ Wolf Cave Parking</div> <div>3 pm – Creature Feature Nature Center</div>	<div>30</div> <div>Wild about Wildlife</div> <div>10am-5pm - Join WildCare Staff and meet some their rehabilitated animal ambassadors during this all day event.</div>

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### **Centennial Celebrations**

**McCormick’s Creek State Park is turning 100! Here are highlights of our July activities:**

**July 2<sup>nd</sup>:** **Jack Shannon**, a published songwriter, will perform original songs as well as songs by other artists.

At the close of his performance he will conduct a song writing workshop open to up to 10 participants. The workshop is free of charge.

**July 16<sup>th</sup>:** **Tom Roznowski** will present a program focused on Indiana history and nature, through songs and stories. He will perform original songs and also songs by Hoosier songwriters Hoagy Carmichael, Cole Porter and Paul Dresser.

**Amphibians vs. Reptiles:** Talk – A closer look at the amazing adaptations which make some of our resident critters (and a few guests too) so unique.

**Animals Do the Grossest Things!:** Talk– Animals do some pretty gross things to survive. We’ll take a closer look at some disgusting animals; you might just see them differently.

**Backyard Birds:** Talk – Help the Nature Center staff fill our bird feeders and learn how to attract and identify the birds that come to your backyard

**Canyon Curiosities:** Hike: Explore the geologic splendor of the Canyon.

**Crafts:** Make a nature-themed craft to take home! (No fee, but donations are appreciated.)

**Creature Feature:** Talk- Visit the Nature Center to see what animal the naturalist features, why it is so special.

**Creek Stomp:** Hike – Join the naturalist for a wet and fun exploration of McCormick’s Creek.

**Critter Feeding:** Activity- Every Tuesday we feed our resident Nature Center animals. Come find out what they eat and more!

**Critter Stomp:** Hike – We love to look at snakes, turtles, and salamanders. Join a park naturalist to find some of these awesome creatures.

**Fire Tower Hike:** Hike- Wildfires do occur in Indiana. Climb the fire tower and learn about McCormick’s Creek’s fire ecology.

**Friends of McCormick’s Creek Meeting:** Interested in joining the Friends of McCormick’s Creek State Park? Come to the **July 12<sup>th</sup>** meeting and see what new projects are in the works.

**McCormick’s Through the Years:** Talk – Take a seat in our program room and enjoy a slideshow presentation that details the history of McCormick’s Creek State Park

**Nature Film Series:** Movie - Need a break from the heat? Cool off and relax in the NC program room while watching one of our many informative and inspiring nature themed films..

**Peden Farm Hike:** Hike - Visit the homestead of one of the park’s earliest settlers and be one of the first to see the newly restored spring house.

**Quarry Hike:** Hike - Take a guided tour of the Statehouse Quarry with a park interpreter.

**Snake in the Water!:** Talk – Learn about snakes that live in ponds, lakes, and rivers and get a chance to meet the two most common ones.

**Summer Concert Series:** See Centennial Celebrations description on the left.

**Trees of McCormick’s:** Hike - Meet at the designated place for an easy introduction to identifying tree species. We will walk a trail and learn to ID trees using different characteristics and a simple key.

**The Beast of Busco:** Talk – Snapping Turtles have played such a role in folklore. Come and hear some tall tales, then meet the real McCoy.

**The Civilian Conservation Corps:** Talk – A look back to the history and the accomplishments of the CCC boys at our Park.

**Turtle Feeding:** Talk - Join us Sunday mornings at the Canyon Inn while a Naturalist feeds the resident turtle. A special critter guest may also make an appearance.

**Turtle Trot:** Talk – Come meet our resident box turtle as he walks through the grass outside the nature center soaking up the sun.

**Venomous Snakes of Indiana:** Talk – We have 4 species of venomous snakes in Indiana. Learn what you should know about them from a park naturalist, for a safe and enjoyable summer.

**Woodpecker Watch:** Talk - What a neat bird! Learn interesting facts about the woodpeckers’ unique excavating techniques, and take a short walk to see their work.

**Wolf Cave Hike:** Hike - Take Trail 5 through Wolf Cave Nature Preserve with a park interpreter and see the unique geologic features of McCormick’s Creek. Bring a flash light or borrow one of ours if you want to explore the cave.

**\*\*\* Programs will go on in the event of rain. Outdoor programs will be cancelled or moved indoors in the event of severe weather.**